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Dear Walt and Mike:

Thank you for your letter to Secretaries Nichols and Babbitt, et al., dated June 28, 1999. I am writing to let you know that the relevant federal and state agencies are working to address the issue of 1999 water deliveries and the potential for making up water lost to contractors due to the recent unanticipated restrictions on Delta pumping.

The federal and state agencies involved with Delta operations are aware of the need for a broad operations plan for the remainder of 1999. The CALFED Ops Group has been directed to draft a plan, and present it to the members of the CALFED Federal-State Small Group. We will advise you of the progress of these discussions shortly.

CALFED is committed to finding a solution to this situation which not only addresses the near-term needs of the State Water Contractors and SLDMWA but also helps in the development of long-term Delta water supply stability for all users.

Sincerely,

Lester A. Snow  
Executive Director

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**CALFED Agencies**

**California** The Resources Agency  
Department of Fish and Game  
Department of Water Resources  
California Environmental Protection Agency  
State Water Resources Control Board  
Department of Food and Agriculture

**Federal** Environmental Protection Agency  
Department of the Interior  
Fish and Wildlife Service  
Bureau of Reclamation  
U.S. Geological Survey  
Bureau of Land Management  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Department of Agriculture  
Natural Resources Conservation Service  
U.S. Forest Service  
Department of Commerce  
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